

REMARKS

The Examiner's Action mailed on May 16, 2005, has been received and its contents carefully considered.

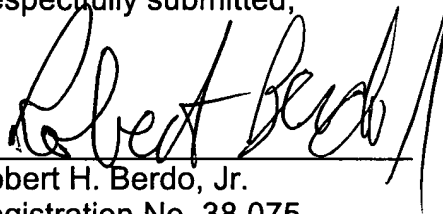
In this Amendment, Applicant has amended the title of the invention, editorially amended the specification, and editorially amended claims 1-9. Claims 10-17 have been canceled. Claim 1 is the independent claim, and claims 1-9 are pending in the application. For at least the following reasons, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance.

The Examiner has objected to the specification for various informalities. In response thereto, the title of the invention has been amended in the manner that is believed to be indicative of the invention to which the claims are directed. Moreover, the specification has been amended to correct the informalities noted by the Examiner's Action, and to correct other informalities noted during the review. Furthermore, claims 1-9 have been editorially amended to correct informalities noted during the review. The changes to the claims do not change the scope of the claims in any manner, and thus do not require further search and/or consideration on the part of the Examiner. Moreover, claims 10-17 have been canceled. It is thus submitted that this application is now in condition for allowance. Such action, and the passing of this case to issue are requested.

Should the Examiner feel that a conference would help to expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is hereby invited to contact the undersigned counsel to arrange for such an interview.

Should any fee be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 18-0002, and advise us accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,



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